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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Raymond G. Gallagher
Appl. No.: 09/399,545
Filed: September 20, 1999
Title: SPACER FRAME FOR AN INSULATING UNIT HAVING
STRENGTHENED SIDEWALLS TO RESIST TORSIONAL TWIST

Group Art Unit: 3635
Examiner: Y. Horton

Docket No.: 1185R1

COMMUNICATION AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 4, 2001,
applicant has the following comments:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 42 has been amended to read as follows:

42. (amended) A spacer frame to space sheets of
insulating unit comprising:
an elongated base having a supporting surface;
an elongated first leg having a first elongated
member joined to the elongated base and a second
elongated member joined to the first elongated member of
the first leg and having an end portion positioned over
the supporting surface of the base;

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